

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A device for controlling braking force of a vehicle, the vehicle having front and rear wheels and braking force generating apparatuses provided for each of the wheels, the device executing braking force distribution control ~~through restricting~~ the by restricting an increase of the of a braking force on the rear wheels, generated by the braking force generating apparatuses of the rear wheels, and for providing a braking force distribution among the front and rear wheels, biased to the front wheels, under a predetermined condition, wherein the device controls the braking force generating apparatuses of the front wheels to increment a front wheel braking force ~~generated on the front wheel, depending upon an~~ based on a restricted amount of the braking force on the rear ~~wheel wheels~~ during execution of the braking force distribution.

2. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 1, further comprising a master cylinder receiving a braking action by a driver of the vehicle and providing an operational fluid pressure corresponding to the braking action to wheel cylinders in the braking force generating ~~apparatuses, wherein apparatuses; wherein~~ the increase of the braking force of the rear ~~wheel wheels~~ is restricted by restricting ~~the an~~ increase of pressures in the wheel cylinders of the rear wheels; and wherein the front wheel braking force is incremented by (1) determining an increment in the wheel cylinders of the front wheels based upon the braking action by the driver, the pressures in the wheel cylinders of the rear wheels and parameters each indicating ~~braking performances of a~~ braking performance of one of the respective braking force generating apparatuses of the front and rear ~~wheels; and wheels, and~~ (2) incrementing pressures in the front wheel cylinders based upon the determined increment.

3. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 2, wherein the vehicle having has a sensor monitoring a vehicle speed, and wherein the parameters indicate braking performances which ~~decreases~~ decrease as the vehicle speed increases.

4. (Currently Amended) A device for controlling a braking force of a vehicle, the vehicle having front and rear wheels, a braking system generating braking forces on the respective wheels, and at least one sensor monitoring an operational condition of the vehicle, including a detector detecting an amount of a braking action by a driver of the vehicle, the device executing a braking force distribution control in ~~which~~ which a braking force on the rear wheels is lowered in comparison ~~with~~ with a braking force on the front wheels when an operational condition monitored by a sensor among the at least ~~a sensor stratifies one sensor~~ satisfies a predetermined condition, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the braking force on the front wheels during execution of the braking force distribution control is increased, ~~where and~~ wherein a braking force increment on the front ~~wheel beyond~~ wheels beyond a braking force increase corresponding to the braking action is determined based upon an increment of the braking action by the driver detected by the detector.

5. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the braking force increment on the front ~~wheel~~ wheels is determined based upon the increment of the braking action ~~and and the~~ braking force on the rear wheels.

6. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein during execution ~~of an~~ of auxiliary braking control for increasing braking force on the wheels beyond braking force corresponding to the amount of braking action by the driver in addition to execution of the braking force distribution control, the braking force increment on the front wheels is determined based upon the increment of the braking action and an increment of braking force requested by the auxiliary braking control.

7. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 4, wherein the braking system comprises a hydraulic circuit connected with a master cylinder and braking force generating apparatus including wheel cylinders provided for the respective wheels; the braking action is reflected in a pressure in the master cylinder pressure, ~~characterized in that, wherein~~ during execution ~~of an~~ of auxiliary braking control for increasing braking force on the wheels beyond braking force corresponding to the amount of the braking action by the driver in addition to execution of the braking force distribution control, the braking force increment on the front wheels is determined based upon a difference between a current master cylinder pressure and a rear wheel cylinder pressure at the starting of the braking force distribution control and an increment of braking pressure requested by the auxiliary braking control; and in ~~absence of~~ the absence of auxiliary braking control, the braking force increment on the front wheels is determined based upon a difference ~~between a~~ between the current master cylinder pressure and the rear wheel cylinder pressure at the starting of the braking force distribution control.

8. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 7, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the rear wheel cylinder pressure at the ~~starting~~ starting of the braking force distribution control is a sum ~~of a~~ of the master cylinder pressure and an increment of braking pressure requested by the auxiliary braking control to the rear wheels at the ~~starting~~ starting of the braking force distribution control ~~during while~~ any auxiliary braking control is executed.

9. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 7, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the increment requested by the auxiliary braking control is ~~that the increment~~ requested to the rear wheels ~~when the~~ when increments requested to the front and rear wheel cylinders by the auxiliary braking control are different from each other.

10. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 4, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the braking force increment on the front ~~wheels are~~ wheels is substantially equal to the restricted amount of the braking force on the rear wheels.

11. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the auxiliary braking control is a braking assist control ~~to be executed~~ when an abrupt braking action is executed.

12. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein during execution of the braking force distribution control, the braking force on the rear wheels is held at a predetermined value.

13. (Currently Amended) A device of claim 7, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein during execution of the braking force distribution control, the pressures in the rear wheel cylinders are held at a predetermined pressure.